

Coral Vine

Antigonon leptopus



Habit: Climbing plant to 20m. It has pink flowers and a nutty seed in old petals.

Spread: Spreads from gardens into bush by seed and root suckers. Also root tubers can be spread when soil is moved.

Weed because: It smothers grass, shrubs and small trees, and provides fuel for hot fires.

METHODS

Pull & Burn

Hand-pull and use rakes to get out of shrubs and trees— Burn piles.

Cut & Spray

Where the vines reach up into the shrubs & trees cut vines at the bottom and spray the cuts. Pull vines out of the trees.

Slash, Pull & Burn

Where dominant, slash first & leave to dry. Lightly burn to bring up the seed. Keep the fire cool— Pull as much weed as you can out first.

Don't Mulch with it

The stems may re-grow & you will spread it.

New Plants

Carefully spray or pull new plants while they are small. Make sure to get the roots as well.